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RE: SHIGEMITSU, Mamoru

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On 9 January 1946 the records of the Personnel Section, Cabinet Secretariat, were examined at the Diet Building, Tokyo.

Complete personnel records of the subject were microfilmed. Photostatic copies, together with original translation notes, are on file as Exhibit No. 692.

Following is a transcription of the Translation:

SHIGEMITSU, Mamoru.

Domicile and social status: Oita Prefecture, commoner.

Former domicile and social status: Oita Prefecture, Samurai family.

Date of birth: July 29, 1887.

Name: Mamoru SHIGEMITSU.

Father: Chokugen (?) Shigemitsu

Adoptive father: Hikosaburo Shigemitsu

Mother: Matsu, daughter of the late Ryuhei Shigemitsu, commoner, Oita Prefecture.

Adoptive mother: Tane, daughter of the late Shuncho (?) Kumai, commoner, Oita Prefecture.

1911 July 11 Graduated from the German Law Department of the College of Jurisprudence, the Tokyo Imperial University.

" Oct. 14 Passed the diplomatic and consular service examination.

" Nov. 2 Appointed Probationary diplomat. Awarded the seventh rank of the higher civil service. (The Cabinet)
Granted the fifth grade salary. (The Foreign Ministry)
Assigned to the service in Germany. (The Foreign Ministry)

" Dec. 27 Awarded the Junior Grade of the Seventh Court Rank.

1913 June 30 Granted the fourth grade salary (The Foreign Ministry)

1914 Aug. 25 Assigned to the service in Belgium.

1915 June 30 Granted the third grade salary (The Foreign Ministry)

" Dec. 27 Promoted to the sixth rank of the higher civil service.
 (The Cabinet)
 Granted the third grade salary.

1916 Feb. 12 Conferred the Senior Grade of the Seventh Court Rank.

1916 April 1 Awarded the Sixth Order of Merit with the Order of the Sacred
 Treasure.
 Granted a sum of 400 yen, in recognition of the services in
 the 1914-1915 Affair.
 Awarded the war-medal of the 1914-1915 Affair.

1916 Dec. 26 Appointed the third grade Secretary of Embassy.
 Appointed to the sixth rank of the higher civil service.
 (The Cabinet)
 Granted the third grade salary. (The Foreign Ministry)
 Assigned to the service in Great Britain. (The Foreign Ministry)

1917 June 30 Granted the second grade salary. (The Foreign Ministry)

1918 Feb. 28 Appointed Consul.
 Appointed to the sixth rank of the higher civil service.
 (The Cabinet)

1918 March 1 Granted the second grade salary.
 Assigned to the service at Portland.

1918 June 28 Promoted to the fifth rank of the higher civil service.
 (The Cabinet)

1918 July 31 Promoted to the Junior Grade of the Sixth Court Rank.

1918 June 28 Granted the second grade salary. (The Foreign Ministry)

1918 Dec. 3 Relieved of the service at Portland. (The Foreign Ministry)
 Ordered to take charge of the business prescribed by the first
 clause of the Imperial Ordinance No. 202 of 1914.
 (The Foreign Ministry)
 Granted the full amount of regular salary while on the waiting
 list. (The Foreign Ministry)
 Appointed to the additional office of Secretary of the Foreign
 Ministry. (The Cabinet)
 Appointed to the fifth rank of the higher civil service.
 (The Cabinet)
 Ordered to take an official trip to Europe. (The Cabinet)

1919 Feb. 5 Appointed Suite of the Plenipotentiaries to the Peace
 Conference. (The Cabinet)

1920 Jan. 10 Appointed Member of the Peace Treaty Execution Committee.

1921 Feb. 24 Relieved of the above office.

1920 July 1 Granted the first grade salary. (The Foreign Ministry)

1920 Aug. 12 Appointed Councillor of the Foreign Ministry.
Promoted to the fifth rank of the higher civil service.
(The Cabinet)

1920 Sept. 7 Granted the Order of the Double Rays of the Rising Sun of
the Fifth Order of Merit and a sum of 1800 yen, in recog-
nition of the services in the conclusion of the Peace Treaty
with Germany and in the 1915-1920 Affair.
Invested with the Fifth Order of Merit with the Order of the
Double Rays of the Rising Sun. (The Bureau of Decorations)

1920 Aug. 12 Granted the fourth grade salary (The Foreign Ministry)
Assigned to the additional office in the Bureau of Commercial
Affairs. (The Foreign Ministry)

" Dec. 28 Promoted to the fourth rank of the higher civil service.
(The Cabinet)

1921 Jan. 31 Promoted to the Senior Grade of the Sixth Court Rank.

" June 27 Appointed Acting Chief of the First Section of the Treaty
Bureau. (The Foreign Ministry)

" July 1 Granted the third grade salary. (The Foreign Ministry)

" July 4 Appointed Secretary of the Foreign Ministry with the additional
post of Councillor of the Foreign Ministry.
Promoted to the fourth rank of the higher civil service.
(The Cabinet)
Granted the third grade salary. (The Foreign Ministry)
Appointed Chief of the First Section of the Treaty Bureau.
(The Foreign Ministry)

" July 13 Appointed Member of the Provisional Treaty Revision
Investigation Committee (The Cabinet)

" July 29 Appointed Councillor of the Special Property Management
Bureau. (The Cabinet)
Appointed Secretary of the Aviation Bureau. (The Cabinet)

" Aug. 4 Appointed the Temporary Examiner of the Higher Civil Service
Examination Committee.

1922 June 5 Appointed the Temporary Examiner of the Higher Civil Service
Examination Committee. (The Cabinet)

" July 1 Granted the second grade salary. (The Foreign Ministry)

1923 April 1 The office of the Councillor of the Special Property Management
Commission is abolished by the Imperial Ordinance No. 76.

- 1923 May 31 Appointed Temporary Examiner of the Higher Civil Service Examination Committee. (The Cabinet)
- " June 4 Appointed Secretary of the Laws and Regulations Adjustment Committee. (Not reported in the official gazette)
- " June 30 Promoted to the third rank of the higher civil service. (both the principal and the additional office)
Granted the first grade salary. (The Foreign Ministry)
- " Aug. 11 Appointed to the additional office of the Chief of the Second Section of the Treaty Bureau. (The Foreign Ministry)
- " Sept. 29 Granted the Junior Grade of the Fifth Court Rank.
- 1924 May 23 Appointed Temporary Examiner of the Higher Civil Service Examination Committee. (The Cabinet)
- " May 31 Granted the Fourth Order of Merit with the Order of the Sacred Treasure. (in recognition of the services in the Washington Conference, etc.)
- " June 21 Appointed Secretary of the Provisional Treaty Revision Investigation Committee. (The Cabinet.)
- " Nov. 25 The organization ordinance of the Aviation Bureau is abolished by the Imperial Ordinance No. 267. The office of the Secretary of the Aviation Bureau is also abolished.
- " Nov. 25 The organization ordinance of the Provisional Treaty Revision Investigation Committee is abolished by the Imperial Ordinance No. 281. The offices of the Member and Secretary of the same Committee are accordingly abolished.
- " Dec. 20 Relieved of the additional office of the Chief of the Second Section of the Treaty Bureau. (The Foreign Ministry)
- " Dec. 20 The office of the Councillor of the Foreign Ministry is abolished (by the Imperial Ordinance No. 311.)
- 1925 Jan. 27 Appointed First Secretary of Legation.
Promoted to the third rank of the higher civil service. (The Cabinet)
Assigned to the service in China. (The Foreign Ministry)
- 1925 Oct. 8 Appointed Suite of the Japanese Representatives at the Chinese Special Tariff Conference. (The Cabinet)
- " Dec. 12 Appointed Suite of the Japanese Representatives at the Chinese Extraterritoriality Committee. (The Cabinet)
- 1926 Feb. 10 Granted a set of silver cups, (in recognition of the services in the negotiations of the Russo-Japanese Treaty.)

1927 Dec. 28 Appointed Councillor of Embassy.
Promoted to the second rank of the higher civil service.
(The Cabinet)
Assigned to the service in Germany. (The Cabinet)
Granted the third grade salary. (The Foreign Ministry)

1928 Feb. 2 Promoted to the Senior Grade of the Fifth Court Rank.

1929 Feb. 20 Appointed Consul-general.
Promoted to the second rank of the higher civil service.
(The Cabinet)
Assigned to the service at Shanghai.

" April 24 Appointed to the additional office of the Councillor of
Embassy.
Promoted to the second rank of the higher civil service.
(The Cabinet)
Assigned to the service in China. (The Cabinet)

1930 Jan. 21 Appointed Councillor of Embassy with the additional post of
the Consul-general. (The Cabinet)
Granted the third grade salary. (The Foreign Ministry)

" April 22 Granted with the Third Order of Merit with the Order of the
Sacred Treasure. (The Foreign Ministry)

" Aug. 30 Appointed Member of the Sino-Japanese Communications
Negotiations Commission. (The Cabinet)

1934 July 10 Appointed Acting Chief of the Cultural Activities Department
of the Foreign Ministry. (The Foreign Ministry)

" July 13 Relieved of Acting Chief of the Cultural Activities Department
of the Foreign Ministry. (The Foreign Ministry)

" Aug. 1 Appointed Reserve Member of the Disciplinary Committee for
Higher Civil Service. (The Cabinet)

" Aug. 31 Appointed Reserve Member of the Limitation Committee for
Higher Civil Service. (The Cabinet)

1935 Jan. 18 Appointed Councillor of the Board of Manchurian Affairs.
(The Cabinet)

" June 5 Appointed Councillor of the Investigation Board of the
Cabinet. (The Cabinet).

" June 11 Appointed Member of the Resources Investigation Council.
(The Cabinet)

" June 13 Ordered to act for Ken-ichi Okada, Chief of the Cultural
Activities Department of the Foreign Ministry, during his
absence. (The Foreign Ministry)

1935 June 30 The term of office of the Reserve Member of the Disciplinary Committee for Higher Civil Service expires.

" July 1 Appointed Reserve Member of the Disciplinary Committee for Higher Civil Service. (The Cabinet)

" Aug. 8 Appointed Member of the Weights and Measures System Investigation Committee. (The Cabinet)

" Sept. 4 Appointed Member of the Government Loan Disposal Committee. (The Cabinet)

" Oct. 1 Appointed Member of the 2600th Year of the Imperial Era Commemoration Preparation Committee. (The Cabinet)

1934 April 29 Granted with the Second Order of Merit with the Order of the Double Rays of the Rising Sun, in recognition of the services in the 1931-1934 Affairs.

1936 April 10 Suspended from office according to Point 4, Clause I, Article 11 of the Civil Service Limitation Ordinance.

" Aug. 27 Appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary. (Cabinet)

" Aug. 27 Appointed Ambassador to the Soviet Union. (The Cabinet)

" Sept. 9 Ordered to take an official trip to Manchukuo and the Republic of China. (The Cabinet)

" Sept. 15 Promoted to the Senior Grade of the Fourth Court Rank.

1938 Sept. 22 Appointed Ambassador to Great Britain. Relieved of the post of Ambassador to the Soviet Union. (The Foreign Ministry)

1939 Oct. 2 Promoted to the Junior Grade of the Third Court Rank.

1941 Sept. 13 Granted the Second Order of Merit with the Order of the Sacred Treasure.
The above citation has been cancelled by the notification No. Kun-nai-hatsu 398, dated May 23, 1940.

" Feb. 19 Appointed Ambassador to the Republic of China. (The Cabinet)
Relieved of the post of Ambassador to Great Britain. (The Cabinet)

1942 April 23 Ordered to take an official trip to Manchukuo. (The Cabinet)

1943 April 20 Appointed Minister of Foreign Affairs. (The Cabinet)

" May 1 Promoted to the Senior Grade of the Third Court Rank.

1944 July 22 Additionally appointed Minister of Greater East Asia.

- 1940 April 29 Granted with the First Order of Merit with the Grand Cordon of the Rising Sun, in recognition of his services in the China Affair.
- 1945 April 7 Relieved of both principal and additional posts at own request. (The Cabinet)
Specially granted the privileges of the former post.
- " Aug. 15. Appointed Member of the House of Peers according to point 4, Article 1 of the House of Peers Ordinance.
- " Aug. 17 Appointed Minister of Foreign Affairs and additionally Minister of Greater East Asia. (The Cabinet)
- " Aug. 31 Appointed Delegate Plenipotentiary to the Supreme Commander of the Allied Powers. (The Cabinet) (Not reported in the official gazette)
- " Aug. 29 Relieved of the post of Member of the House of Peers at own request. (The Cabinet)
- " Sept. 17 Relieved of the post at own request. (The Cabinet)